

LOCAL NEWS.

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For cheap croquet sets and fine hammocks, go to Tidlow's stationery and fancy store, Onancock.

Red Bank Farmers' Association meet to-day, at 4 p. m., at Marionville Northampton Co., Va.

Mr. Thos. M. Scott, has sold his interest in the Eastern Shore Herald to his partner, Mr. J. W. Starro.

The valuable real estate of Mr. A. J. Meers, will be sold at Pungoteague, to-day, by Messrs. Gaunter & Blackstone, special commissioners.

Vice President Patton, of the N. Y. P. & N. R. R., says that fully 100 cars of strawberries and early vegetables are moved North, over the fine daily.

That cross mark you will find on your paper to-day, means you owe us a dollar and we want it. You will please call on us next Monday, court-day and pay us.

Fosque & Boggs, as will be seen by advertisement elsewhere, will continue to furnish this year the same first-class facilities to shippers of produce, as heretofore.

A festival will be held in the afternoon of to-day in the Methodist Church at Wachapreague City, for the purpose of raising funds to pay the debt on said church.

A "strawberry and ice cream" festival, commencing at 1 p. m., will be held at M. E. C. Church, Locustville, on Friday, 4th of June, for the benefit of the Sunday school.

Mrs. Wm. H. Parker of Accomac, C. H., received a telegram on Tuesday, conveying the sad intelligence of the sudden death of her father, at his home in Washington.

Mr. John T. Scott, a wealthy citizen and prominent member of the Baptist Church, father of Mr. T. M. Scott, died on the 20th inst. aged 65 years, at his home near Eastville.

A book, which is creating quite a stir in the literary world just now, "Letters from Hell" with a preface by Geo. McDonald, is for sale by D. J. Tidlow, Onancock, Price \$1.00.

Large shipments of peas, and strawberries, are now being sent daily from every part of the Eastern Shore, and so far the prices received for them have been very satisfactory.

E. G. Polk & Co., will be in Drummondtown, court day with a full line of samples of spring and summer suitings of latest styles, and a good assortment of ready-made clothing for men, boys and children.

Mrs. John A. Ames, whose illness was reported last week in our paper, died at her home near Belle Haven, on 20th inst. She was a very estimable lady and her death is deeply regretted by a large circle of friends.

Fitchett's dining saloon, Accomac, C. H., has been enlarged and otherwise improved, with the special view of accommodating court-day customers, and its proprietor is now sure of pleasing every one who favors him with their patronage.

The very best ice cream is now offered for sale at Bundick's saloon, Onancock, at city prices. He offers an inducement for you to buy of him, to save you the expense of buying ice to keep it the day you get it.

Mr. A. H. G. Meers, Wachapreague City, is just from the city with a fine line of new goods, at prices to suit the times and in variety to please every one. He buys for cash, and there is no reason why he cannot, and he will make it to your interest to deal with him.

Mr. J. H. Riley, Onancock, has just added to his line of goods, a large, fresh stock of fine, new style of neck wear, celluloid collars and cuffs, undershirts, scarf retainers, gaiters, gloves and hosiery, at his place "on the corner"—also can always be found there fine home-made shoes.

Capt. Wm T. R. Bell, principal King's Mountain High School, N. C., and his pupil, master J. W. B. B. Bell, Jr., of this county, favor us with invitations to attend the annual commencement of that institution on the 4th of June, which are duly appreciated and we regret to have to decline.

Mr. Robert Marshall, died suddenly of dropsy of the heart, at his home on Syke's Island, on last Saturday, aged 78 years. Uncle Rob as he was familiarly known had many friends throughout the county, by whom the announcement will be read with regret. The recollection of the kindness and jovial disposition, which won him so many friends in the days that are past, cannot fail to touch a tender chord in their memory for him, nor that he is gone.

Chicotacogue.

Public schools closed on Tuesday for want of funds to continue them longer.

Sunday was the finest day of spring, and our streets were thronged with promenaders.

Our town was enlivened on Tuesday by music, discoursed by a portion of our old brass band.

Several barrels of raw linseed oil have been found along our creek—supposed to be from a distant wreck.

The stockholders have changed the time of Assateague sheep penning from June 9th to Wednesday, June 2nd.

Early fruits and vegetables are very forward with us, excepting strawberries and peas. Mrs. Jas. E. Matthews is the only one who has been able to supply her table this season with the latter, as a home product.

Arrivals at hotel this week: H. P. Maxwell, Washington, D. C.; John W. Carroll, Princess Anne, Md.; J. A. Moore, S. H. Styles, Phila.; H. C. Doughty, J. A. Spillman, G. E. Scott, Henry Snow, J. D. Dowell, J. D. Jacob, Capt. James Asquid, Baltimore, Md.

Cards are out for the marriage of Corporal Arthur B. Crane and Miss Hallie Calk, on the 31st inst. After a handsome reception at the home of the bride the happy couple will make a tour for a fortnight as New York, and then return home via Norfolk and Old Point. Both are very popular here and will receive the heartiest congratulations and best wishes of numerous friends during their life as well as wedding journey.

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To Accomac And Northampton Merchants.

GENTLEMEN—On account of the dull times very many of you have bought fewer clothes than usual. It may be that many of you could sell one, two or three dozen suits that you have not in stock. That you may not lose the sale of these goods, I would suggest, that you address Messrs. Snyder, Harris, Bassett & Co., Philadelphia, Pa., for price samples from which you can order suits. These samples will cost you nothing except a postal card. From them you can allow your customers to select at any time such goods as they may need in suits at almost any price and in every style and quality. Living as you do, so convenient to a railroad running direct to Philadelphia, this plan can be worked to the satisfaction of yourself and customers. You can get a package in two days from the time you mail the order and if you will be careful in stating the style and size wanted you will have no trouble in getting a fit, your customers will be pleased and in this way you can handle, each of you, several hundred dollars worth of clothing without having a lot of dead stock on hand. We hope to hear from you—Always address the letter on the inside to me, but direct it to the firm to insure immediate attention in case I am absent from the store on its arrival in Philadelphia.

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Temporanceville, May 25, '86.

Local Option in Virginia.

ONANCOCK, May 2, 1886.—The local option contest, which has been raging in the central district of Accomac county for the past month, ended yesterday in an overwhelming majority for the prohibitionists, who carried every precinct by large majorities. The Baptist and Methodist ministers assumed control of the contest, held meetings in their churches and thus gave the contest the appearance of a religious crusade against vice. The greatest excitement prevailed here among all classes, and it is thought that but for the cold northeast wind storms which prevailed here all day many of the ladies of this town would have been out at the polls working for prohibition, as was done on Chicoteague Island a week ago.

The negroes contrary to expectation, voted largely for prohibition. The white ministers of the Baptist and Northern and Southern churches accomplished this result by their assiduous attention to the colored voters with whom they held meetings and fraternized on familiar terms. Many Democrats here fear that the local option campaign now raging in various parts of Virginia will have a tendency to disrupt their party.

MR. EDITOR.—The above is a copy of a telegram to the New York Herald from Onancock, Va., in which our characters as christian ministers have been assailed. We therefore appeal.

1. To the citizens of this county, without regard to denominational distinctions or party differences, to say whether these things are so.

2. We ask that the author of the above telegram will have the goodness to give his name, in order that the friends of local option may know the concealed enemy who thus attempts to injure men who have only sought the public good.

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Eastern Shore Mail Service Restored.

Over a month ago Second Assistant Postmaster-General Knott decided to fully investigate the necessity for the re-establishment of the steamboat mail service to Wilson's Wharf for Baltimore as soon as the vegetable season opened.

For several weeks he has been receiving petitions from the Eastern Shore people, praying for the restoration of the service. On Saturday, upon Gen. Knott's invitation, Mr. Thompson, of the Eastern Shore Steamboat Company, and Mr. Bird, of the Maryland Steamboat Company, came to Washington and had a long conference with him concerning the service. The result of the conference was an offer from General Knott to the Eastern Shore Company of \$8,000 for the entire service from Baltimore to Wilson's Wharf. Mr. Thompson for the company, said that the offer would be considered. This afternoon a telegram was received at the postoffice department announcing that the offer had been accepted. Tomorrow an order will be issued re-establishing the service as it existed before it was discontinued below Crisfield. Mail will be delivered under the order at Pitt's, Evans', Hoffman's, Davis' and Wilson's wharves twice a week by steamboat during nine months of the year and once a week during the three months of winter. Under the new agreement a saving to the government of \$1,200 per annum will be effected.—Balt. Sun, May 27.

Mysterious Arrival of a Girl Baby.

A girl baby has created quite a sensation in the hitherto quiet village of Temperanceville. It was found about 11 o'clock Tuesday night, at the front door of house of Mr. Geo. W. Oldham, of that village. Whence it came and what it is, no one knows, and the reason for placing it where found is equally a matter of conjecture. No traces of its identity can be found, but the presumption is, that it was brought from a long distance and was placed there by someone who had stolen it. It is described by our correspondent as a "nice looking and sprightly baby, very fat, with coal black hair and about four months old." It is now kindly cared for by Mrs. Oldham, who proposes in the event its parents do not claim it, to find for it a good home.

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